Appln. No. 09/988,805 Amendment dated November 17, 2003 Reply to Office Action of October 15, 2003

REMARKS

In response to an Office Action election requirement dated October 15, 2003, Applicants elect GAG from claim 6 and chondroitin sulphate from claim 7, for prosecution on the merits. Presently, all claims are readable thereon, and all claims are generic thereto. Applicants understand that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of a reasonable number of species, when presented in dependent claims, or in an independent claim containing all the elements of an allowed generic claim.

The above amendment is being made to update information on a cross-reference to a related application in the specification.

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